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SUBJECT: UN BUDGET - GUIDANCE ON SECTION 22

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1. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, MISSION IS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO ACROSS-THE-BOARD AND ARBITRARY BUDGETARY CUTS WHICH APPEARS TO BE APPROACH TAKEN IN REFTEL. IF DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT ADDITIONAL \$2.1 MILLION IS NOT JUSTIFIED UNDER SECTION 22, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE BE PROVIDED WITH SPECIFIC GUIDANCE REGARDING WHAT ELEMENTS CONTAINED THEREIN SHOULD BE ELIMINATED AS WELL AS JUSTIFICATION FOR DOING SO.

2. MISSION WOULD POINT OUT THAT EFFORTS TO REDUCE SUBSTANTIALLY SECTION 22 ARE LIKELY TO HAVE SERIOUS REPERCUSSIONS WITHIN UN SINCE WE WOULD BE STARVING CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AND THEREBY WEAKENING CENTRAL CONTROL OVER HIGHLY PAROCHIAL PROGRAM VESTED INTERESTS. FURTHERMORE, FOR US TO TAKE THE POSITION CONTAINED IN REFTEL WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH OUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT WITHIN UN.

3. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE, MISSION CONSIDERS INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL TO BE INOPERATIVE PENDING CLARIFICATION PER PARA 6.

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